

TTB. The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC.

TTB bond The internal revenue bond as prescribed in 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51.

Unfinished spirits. Spirits in the production system prior to production gauge.

U.S.C. The United States Code.

Warehouseman. A proprietor of a distilled spirits plant qualified under this part to store bulk distilled spirits.

Wine spirits. The term "wine spirits" means spirits authorized for use in wine production by 26 U.S.C. 5373.

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Subpart C—Taxes

GALLONAGE TAXES

§ 19.21 Tax.

(a) A tax is imposed by 26 U.S.C. 5001 and 7652 on all spirits produced in, imported into or brought into the United States at the rate prescribed in section 5001 on each proof gallon and a proportionate tax at a like rate on all fractional parts of a proof gallon. Wines containing more than 24 percent of alcohol by volume are taxed as spirits. All products of distillation, by whatever name known, which contain spirits, on which the tax imposed by law has not been paid, and any alcoholic ingredient added to such products, are considered and taxed as spirits.

(b) A credit against the tax imposed on distilled spirits by 26 U.S.C. 5001 or 7652 is allowable under 26 U.S.C. 5010 on each proof gallon of alcohol derived from eligible wine or from eligible flavors which do not exceed 2½ percent of the finished product on a proof gallon basis. The credit is allowable at the time the tax is payable as if it constituted a reduction in the rate of tax.

(c) Where credit against the tax is desired, the person liable for the tax shall establish an effective tax rate in accordance with § 19.34. The effective tax rate established will be applied to each

withdrawal or other taxable disposition of the distilled spirits.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010); Act of August 16, 1954, Pub. L. 591, 68A Stat. 907, as amended (26 U.S.C. 7652)).

[T.D. ATF-297, 55 FR 18061, Apr. 30, 1990]

§ 19.22 Attachment of tax.

Under 26 U.S.C. 5001(b), the tax attaches to spirits as soon as the substance comes into existence as such, whether it be subsequently separated as pure or impure spirits, or be immediately, or at any subsequent time, transferred into any other substance, either in the process of original production, or by any subsequent process.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1314, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5001))

§ 19.23 Lien.

Under 26 U.S.C. 5004, the tax becomes a first lien on the spirits from the time the spirits come into existence as such. The conditions under which the first lien shall be terminated are described in 26 U.S.C. 5004.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1317, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5004))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985; 50 FR 23410, June 4, 1985]

§ 19.24 Persons liable for tax.

(a) *Distilling.* 26 U.S.C. 5005 provides that the distiller of spirits is liable for the tax and that each proprietor or possessor of, and person in any manner interested in the use of, any still, distilling apparatus, or distillery, shall be jointly and severally liable for the tax on distilled spirits produced. However, a person, not an officer or director of a corporate proprietor, owning or having the right of control of not more than 10 percent of any class of stock of that proprietor, is not liable by reason of the stock ownership or control. Persons transferring spirits in bond so liable for the tax are relieved of liability if

(1) The proprietors of transferring and receiving premises are independent of each other and neither has a proprietary interest, directly or indirectly, in the business of the other, and